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JOHN GLENN LEE GETS MEDAL AS MARKSMAN

Lawson Field, Fort. Benning, Ga.—Pfc. John G. Lee has qualified as Marksman with the Carbine rifle and received the Marksman Medal, it was announced by the commanding officer, at Lawson Field, a base of the U. S. Army Air Forces Troop Carrier Command. The First Troop Carrier Command, with headquarters at Indianapolis, Ind., is the branch of the air force charged with transporting men, supplies and equipment in battle areas throughout the world. Flying twin-engine C-47 cargo planes they carry paratroopers, tow gliders and deliver vital materials to America's fighting men. Equipped with stretchers and medical supplies they fly wounded men from the front back to base hospitals.

Pfc. Lee has been a member of the Army Air Forces since his entrance on August 15, 1942. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fountain Lee, of Elba, Route 5.

LOUIS BOUTWELL DIES AFTER SHORT ILLNESS

Louis C. Boutwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Boutwell, well known residents of Northwest Coffee, died at the Enterprise hospital on May 24, following an attack of appendicitis. He was born on August 25, 1927. Surviving besides his parents are one sister, Doris Mae Boutwell; three brothers: Willie B., Franklin and Coley Boutwell. Funeral services were held at the Ridge church with Rev. C. P. Roberts officiating. Interment was in Evergreen cemetery. Hayes Funeral Home had charge.

ATTENDED CONFERENCE OF JUNIOR RED CROSS

Mrs. Gussie Hutchison, executive secretary, and Densby Lowery represented West Coffee Chapter at the Junior Red Cross conference held at the Whitley Hotel in Montgomery the first of last week. Representatives from other chapters in this area also attended the conference. Plans were discussed for carrying on the work of the Junior Red Cross during the coming year.

COMPLETES TRAINING

Pvt. Laurie D. Moore has completed his basic training at Armored Replacement Training Center, Fort Knox, Ky., preparatory for combat duty with an armored unit.

Pvt. Moore, 31 years of age, was inducted into service December 19, 1943. His wife, Mrs. L. D. Moore, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Moore, live on Kinston Route 1.

Pfc. James O. Davis, of Fairview community, has notified his wife, of Elba, of his arrival in England.

MRS. LUCY PATTERSON DIES IN CALIFORNIA

Friends in Elba were grieved last week when news came of the death of Mrs. Lucy Patterson, which occurred in Woodland, California, last Thursday, May 25. She had been ill for the past five years and about a month ago went to California with her sister, to enter a rest home. She contracted pneumonia two days prior to her death.

Mrs. Patterson was a daughter of the late B. Bullard and Mrs. Carrie Bullard and was born and reared in Elba. The greater portion of her life was spent here, where she had many friends.

Surviving are a son, Albert Patterson, now in the Navy Training Unit at Howland College, Birmingham; two sisters, Miss Dixie Bullard, Elba, and Mrs. Bonnie Barnett, King's Beach, Lake Tahoe, Calif.; one brother, Bartow Bullard, Lockhart.

The body reached Elba Tuesday afternoon and funeral services were held at the family residence Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock with Minister J. C. Dixon officiating. Interment was in Evergreen cemetery. Pallbearers were: James English, T. H. Deal, Jim Whitman, Fountain Lee, Arthur Boutwell and Baxter Bryan. Hayes Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

HOME FROM JUNGLES

Pfc. William F. Swain, who has been in the Southwest Pacific theater of war for the past year, has been visiting his father, Mr. G. R. Swain, and family on Elba Rt. 1, for several days.

His entire overseas stay was spent in the jungles on several islands where the Japs had to be driven off. He tells some interesting stories about his experiences in jungle fighting and jungle living.

Several weeks ago he sent home as a souvenir one of the long-barrel rifles used by the Japs. This rifle has particular interest for Pfc. Swain because it came near costing him his life. The Jap wasn't a good shot and missed by just a few inches. He says after he spotted his enemy in a coconut tree, he lost no time in making his shot count, and the rifle is evidence of what happened. He will leave the latter part of the week for Camp McCain, Miss., for a new assignment.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Mills Whitelaw, of Auburn, announce the birth of a daughter on May 11, whom they have named Alice Boyd Whitelaw. Mrs. Whitelaw is the former Eleanor Rose Boyd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Boyd, of Auburn, former residents of Elba.

Mrs. W. D. Owen visited her sister-in-law, Mrs. W. D. Jacobs, in Phenix City, several days last week.

SAM SAWYER HEADS WAR LOAN CAMPAIGN

Sam E. Sawyer, wholesale merchant and civic leader of Elba, will be chairman of the 5th War Loan Campaign in the Elba area. Plans for launching the campaign on June 12th are being worked out in detail, and a complete organization is being perfected to direct the campaign throughout this territory.

The county quota of \$603,000 has been divided as follows: Elba and Kinston, \$153,000; Enterprise and New Brockton, \$350,000; the Agricultural Area of the County, \$100,000. Hugh D. Sexton, county agent, will have charge of the entire county agricultural division.

A war finance committee with nine divisions has been named, as follows: 1. Banking and Investment, J. F. Brunson; 2. Payroll Savings, Charlie Lunsford; 3. Women, Mrs. Sam Sawyer; 4. Schools, A. C. Dunaway; 5. Retail, Jake Bonneau; 6. Promotion and Publicity, R. C. Bryan; 7. Agricultural, Dick Dorman; 8. Negro, Lydia Adams.

The following Advisory Board for the area has also been named: Judge John W. Brock, Mayor L. P. Mullins, Postmaster W. L. English and Mr. C. E. Dorsey. Every person in the county is urged to cooperate with the various committees in order for the campaign to be a success. The slogan is: "Back the Attack—Buy More Than Before." We cannot afford to let our boys down. They are fighting and dying for us. We must do our part as never before, realizing that the invasion is drawing nearer each day, and the cost of liberation will be tremendous. Be ready when the 5th War Loan Campaign opens on June 12th.

BLOOD - SPATTERED QUILT BROUGHT HERE

Mrs. W. D. Jacobs, of Phenix City, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Jacobs in Elba recently. W. D. (Jack) Jacobs bought a beautiful Italian quilt which he, Maxwell Reeves and several other soldiers in Italy were examining and admiring when a German shell exploded in their midst, wounding Jacobs, Reeves and others, and spattering blood on the quilt and other nearby articles. The quilt was sent to Mrs. Jacobs at Phenix City for whom her husband had purchased it. Mrs. Jacobs, on her recent visit, brought the blood-spattered quilt to Elba, where it was viewed with much interest by a large number of persons.

NEW MEDAL AWARDED TO KERMIT ROBBINS

With the 37th Division On Bougainville — For exemplary conduct in combat, Pfc. Kermit Robbins, of Elba, Ala., has been presented with the Army's newest award for infantrymen, the Combat Infantryman Badge. Awarded for exemplary conduct in combat or for combat action in a major operation, the new medal is a silver rifle on a blue field with a silver border, imposed on an elliptical silver wreath.

Pfc. Robbins is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Robbins, of Elba, Rt. 2. Since starting his tour of overseas service on May 26, 1942, he has been stationed on the Fiji Islands, Guadalcanal and the Russell Islands, and is a veteran of the New Georgia campaign.

PREACHING AT HAM

There will be holiness preaching at Ham school house Friday night, June 2, 1944, by Rev. Timmie Mae Sawyer. Everyone is cordially invited.

W. B. PAUL, CHIEF OF POLICE, DIES FRIDAY

Mr. W. B. Paul, Chief of Police of the City of Elba, and one of the most widely known citizens of this section, passed away at his home Friday night, May 26. He had been in declining health for several months and recently suffered a severe illness which confined him for some time. Apparently he was much improved and was in town last Friday greeting his many friends. He was stricken Friday night and died within a few minutes. News of his passing brought sorrow to friends throughout the county.

In addition to serving as Police Chief, Mr. Paul served one term as Sheriff of Coffee and for a number of years was a deputy sheriff. He was born in Coffee County on September 6, 1883, and had spent his entire life here. For the past eighteen years he had lived in Elba.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Addie Gibson Paul; two daughters, Miss Thelma Paul and Miss Alene Paul; one son, Eric F. Paul, U. S. Army, who recently entered the Officer Candidate School of the Judge Advocate Division, at Ann Arbor, Mich.; two sisters, Mrs. Lizzie Wilson and Mrs. Kate Lowery; two brothers, Messrs. Freeman and Fats Paul; and many other relatives.

Funeral services were held at the home on Simmons street Monday afternoon at three o'clock with Rev. O. M. Fox and Minister J. C. Dixon officiating. Interment was in Evergreen cemetery. Active pallbearers were: Fountain Lee, Fred Harper, L. P. Mullins, Solie Brunson, John Payne, O. F. Lightner, E. P. Gieger and D. C. Hill. Bonneau-Jeter had charge of funeral arrangements.

SGT. RENZO BRYAN IS NOW AT MIAMI BEACH

Miami Beach, Fla., May 27.—Sgt. Renzo C. Bryan, 26, Elba, Ala., recently returned from service outside the continental United States, now is being processed through the Army Air Forces Redistribution Station No. 2 in Miami Beach, where his next assignment will be recommended.

This is one of the redistribution stations within the command of the AAF Redistribution Center. At an AAF redistribution station, AAF returnees from theaters of operation are examined by specially selected medical and classification officers whose joint findings are used in determining new assignments. Theme of the AAF redistribution program is designation of each man to duty for which he is best fitted. Returnees live at a redistribution station under conditions that encourage natural response to processing, a majority of their two-week stay being devoted to rest and recreation.

Sergeant Bryan served as radio operator in the Southwest Pacific for 26 months. Friends of Ferrel Young, U. S. Navy, will be interested to learn that he has been promoted to the rank of Chief Petty Officer. He has just had a short leave in New York and Mrs. Young went to the big city to be with him, returning to Elba last Thursday.

Noah W. (Dood) Crocker, R. M. 3-c, U. S. Navy, recently wrote his mother, Mrs. Annie Crocker, Elba, Route 3, that he had been in the Southwest Pacific theater of operations. He has been in overseas service since early last Fall, and although he writes frequently his mother did not know where he had been serving. Friends will be glad to know that he is getting along fine.

Lamar Rainer, Jr., who is stationed at Camp Shelby, Miss., has been spending several days with his wife and young son, and other Elba relatives.

MRS. WILKS DIES AT HOME IN FAIRVIEW

Mrs. L. A. Wilks, of Fairview community, died at a Dothan hospital Sunday morning, following a two-week illness.

Mrs. Wilks was before her marriage, Miss Lena Lewis. She had been a resident of Fairview community 48 years and was active in religious and community interests. She was a member of the Baptist Church.

Surviving are her husband; two daughters, Mrs. Jewell Rhodes, Samson, and Mrs. Pearl Wilks, of Fairview; five sons, R. A. Walter and Cecil Wilks, of Samson; Carlos Wilks, Coffee Springs; Lewis Wilks, of Kinston; two brothers, Dr. B. J. Lewis, of Tempton, Arizona, and A. L. Lewis, of Coffee Springs.

Funeral was held Tuesday at 3 p. m. from the Fairview Church with the Rev. J. F. Powell, of Samson, officiating, assisted by the Rev. E. land, of Opp. Burial was in the adjoining cemetery.

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NOTICE

We will have our regular services at Whitewater Baptist Church Sunday, June 4, at the usual hours. Every one is urged to be present. Let us also urge that every one attend Sunday School one hour before preaching Sunday night.

We are to begin a Sunday School study course and we are especially interested in getting as many to take this course as possible, and there are any from other churches who would like to come in with us for this course, we invite you to come.

A. W. Barker, Pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. English, Mrs. Sara English and children, were visitors to Mobile during the week end, having gone to see Harold English, who was admitted to the U. S. Marine Hospital Saturday night. Harold, who has been serving with the Merchant Marine for the past several months, was seriously wounded about three months ago when his ship was torpedoed somewhere on the African coast. Friends will be glad to learn that he is now back in Alabama, but regret to know that he will be confined to the hospital for some time yet.

Pfc. Paul Rowe Brunson, stationed at Camp Shelby, Miss., has been spending several days with his wife and young son, and other Elba relatives.

ROBT. STEPHENS GETS HIS SILVER WINGS

Pecos, Texas, May 23.—Robert Graham Stephens, son of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Stephens, Elba, Ala., Rt. 3, received his silver wings today when he graduated as a Flight Officer from the Advanced Two-Engine Pilot School, at Pecos Army Air Field, it was announced by Col. Orin J. Bushey, commanding officer.

The new pilot completed a course in training in twin-engine aircraft and was assigned to Pecos from Ontario, Calif.

Robert is spending a well deserved furlough with his parents and other relatives in and near Elba. He has been in service 16 months and this is his first visit back home. Friends are glad to see him and are extending congratulations on his graduation.

MRS. NORRIS DIES AT HOME AT BRADSHAW

Mrs. Lessie Louise Norris, age 22 years, wife of Rufus Norris, died at the family residence at Bradshaw community early Tuesday morning following an illness of six months. She was born and reared in the county of Covington, Barbours, Pike, Geneva, Coffee, Crenshaw, Dale, Monroe and Conecuh.

Besides her husband she leaves three daughters: Louise, Gladys Mae and Clara Mae Norris; two sisters and one brother. Funeral services were held at Bradshaw church Wednesday afternoon with Rev. Will Eiland officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery. Bonneau-Jeter had charge of arrangements.

NOTICE

Members of Culver Post No. 42, American Legion, are urged to attend the regular monthly meeting in the courthouse Monday night, June 5.—Dove Johnson, Adjutant.

PREACHING AT HAM'S

There will be preaching service at Ham's Schoolhouse Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock (war time). The public is cordially invited. C. P. Roberts.

Charles L. Hughes, who received a medical discharge from the Navy at Seattle, Wash., on May 4, has accepted a position with Standard Brands, Inc., and will make his home in Seattle, according to news received by The Clipper this week. His address is: 7100 First Avenue, South, Seattle.

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